## **Amendment to the Claims**:

Please amend claims 1-17, cancel claims 18 and 19 without prejudice, and add new claims 20-22 as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A foot protection device for fighting games, comprising:

an exterior cover (100), comprising:

an opening (10) through which a foot is inserted;

an anterior hole (20) and a posterior hole (30) provided on a sole portion (A);

five toe insert parts (40) with five toe holes provided on a toe portion (B) and having, wherein each of the five toe holes (45) is provided at an end of each of the five toe insert parts; and

ankle securing means (150) provided at an end portion of an ankle portion (C).

2. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 1, wherein the exterior cover (100) comprises further comprising:

an upper piece (100-1) having <u>four first</u> cut parts (46-1) (42-2) <u>in between the five</u> toe insert parts; and

a lower piece (100-2) having an anterior hole (20) and a posterior hole (30) four second cut parts in between the five toe insert parts.

3. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 1, further comprising:

an instep protective cover (200) attached to <u>a top surface of</u> an instep portion (D) of the exterior cover (100).

4. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 1, further comprising:

an ankle protective cover (400) attached to <u>a top surface of</u> the ankle portion (C) of the exterior cover (100).

- 5. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 3, wherein the instep protective cover (200) is attached to an outer surface of the exterior cover (100), and a cushioning layer (300) is provided between the exterior cover (100) and the instep protective cover (200) to absorb shock further comprising: a cushioning layer provided between the exterior cover and the instep protective cover in order to absorb shock.
- 6. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 3, wherein the instep protective cover (200) extends [[to]] toward the toe portion (B).
- 7. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 3, wherein the instep protective cover (200) extends [[to]] toward the toe portion (B) and the ankle portion (C).
- 8. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 4, wherein the ankle protective cover (400) is attached to an outer surface of the exterior cover (100), and a cushioning layer (300) is provided between the exterior cover (100) and the ankle protective cover (400) to absorb shock further comprising:

  a cushioning layer provided between the exterior cover and the ankle protective cover in order to absorb shock.
- 9. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 4, further comprising:

a cushioning layer provided between layers of the ankle protective cover to absorb shock,

wherein the ankle protective cover (400) has a two-folded structure, and a cushioning layer (300) is provided between layers of the ankle protective cover to absorb shock.

- 10. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 4, wherein the ankle protective cover (400) comprises:
- a coupling part (420) fixed to the ankle portion (C) of the exterior cover (100); and a flap (440) extended from the coupling part (420) to cover a portion between [[the]] an instep portion and the ankle portions portion while the flap is not fixed to the exterior cover (100).
- 11. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 5, further comprising: wherein air holes (310) are provided on the cushioning layer (300).
- 12. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 1, wherein the ankle securing means (150) comprises:
  - an elastic band (152) provided at an end <u>portion</u> of the ankle portion (C); and fastening means (154) provided on both surfaces of the elastic band (152).
- 13. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 12, wherein the fastening means (154) comprises a Velcro fastener both surfaces on which the fastening means is provided fasten tightly when pressed together and are easily pulled apart by force.
- 14. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 12, further comprising: wherein a cut part (60) is provided on the ankle portion (C) below the elastic band where the fastening means are provided to enlarge the opening when the foot is inserted into the opening.
- 15. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 1, wherein sides (42) of the <u>five</u> toe insert parts (40) are made of an elastic material different from that of the exterior cover (100), so <u>such</u> that the sides have higher elasticity than the exterior cover (100).

16. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 8, wherein the ankle protective cover (400) comprises:

a coupling part (420) fixed to the ankle portion (C) of the exterior cover (100); and a flap (440) extended from the coupling part (420) to cover a portion between [[the]] an instep portion and the ankle portions portion while the flap is not fixed to the exterior cover (100).

17. (Currently amended) The foot protection device according to claim 9, wherein the ankle protective cover (400) comprises:

a coupling part (420) fixed to the ankle portion (C) of the exterior cover (100); and a flap (440) extended from the coupling part (420) to cover a portion between [[the]] an instep portion and the ankle portions portion while the flap is not fixed to the exterior cover (100).

## 18-19. (Canceled)

- 20. (New) The foot protection device according to claim 1, wherein each of the five toe insert parts extends toward each of the five toe holes to cover at least a part of each of five toes.
  - 21. (New) A protective footwear comprising:

an upper piece covering at least an instep portion of a foot and having first cut parts between toes;

a lower piece covering at least a sole portion of the foot and having second cut parts between toes;

an opening through which a foot is inserted;

an anterior hole and a posterior hole provided on the lower piece;

toe insert parts provided at each toe portion and having toe holes at ends of each of the toe insert parts; and

ankle securing means provided at an end of an ankle portion,

wherein the upper piece and the lower piece are joined together into an exterior cover, and the first cut parts and the second cut parts are coupled into the toe insert parts.

22. (New) The protective footwear of claim 21, wherein the ankle securing means is connected to the exterior cover by sewing or adhesive bonding.